THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (c) Proposals were obtained from the coastal States and Union Territories including Kerala for formulating a coastal security scheme for strengthening the infrastructure for policing and patrolling in the coastal areas. The scheme has since been formulated. Consideration of the proposals of the coastal States will be possible after the proposed coastal security scheme has been finally approved by the Government.

Assistance for installation of tube lights using solar cells in Uttar Pradesh

†2136. SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any scheme to provide assistance to the Uttar Pradesh Government to install tube lights using solar cells in those villages in the State where electrification is not possible immediately;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the budgetary provisions made in the current financial year by the Central Government for electrification in Uttar Pradesh alongwith the amount allocated under each head; and

(d) the number of new power generating units to be set up in Uttar Pradesh by the Central Government alongwith their locations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) to (c) A project for electrification of 250 remote villages through solar photovoltaic systems was sanctioned to the Non-Conventional Energy Development Agency (NEDA) of Uttar Pradesh during 2003-04 under the Remote Village Electrification Programme of the Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources. The project involves installation of solar lighting systems in about 32,000 households in those villages. Against a total Central Financial Assistance of Rs. 30.84 crores for the project, an amount of Rs. 15.41 crores has already been released to NEDA.

Projects for electrification of remote villages are sanctioned on the basis of proposals received from the States. No State-wise annual budgetary provision is made.

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(d) Under Central Sector, during Tenth Plan, Rihand Super Thermal Power Station (STPS-II) of 1000 MW capacity is coming up in Sonebhadra district and Unchahar Super Thermal Power Station (STPS-III) of 210 MW capacity is coming up in Raibareli.

Generation capacity of renewable energy of various States

†2137. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has been made regarding renewable energy generation capacity of various States;

(b) if so, what is the total generation capacity renewable energy in the State of Uttaranchal and the percentage thereof being exploited;

(c) whether some specific efforts are being made by Government to promote the exploitation of renewable energy to the aforesaid States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A potential of around 80,000 MW grid interactive renewable power from wind, small hydro and bioenergy has been estimated in the country. The estimated potential in Uttaranchal is around 1500 MW of which 72.45 MW (4.88 per cent) has been exploited as on 31-3-2004.

(c) and (d) Several financial and fiscal incentives are being provided for deployment of non-conventional energy systems/devices in the country, including Uttaranchal. Since Uttaranchal is one of the 12 special category States, a higher level of central financial assistance is being provided there under several programmes/schemes of this Ministry, especially remote village electrification where upto 90 per cent subsidy is being provided.

Implementation of NES Projects in Chhattisgarh

2138. SHRI RAMADHAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total loan provided by Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. for implementation of project under renewable energy source sector to Chhattisgarh during last two years and the current financial year, till date;

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